or emergency, as declared by the President. Once notified, each agency affected by the disaster or emergency is authorized to do the following:

- (1) Determine whether, and how much, donated annual leave is needed by affected employees;
- (2) Approve emergency leave donors and/or emergency leave recipients within the agency, as appropriate;
- (3) Facilitate the distribution of donated annual leave from approved emergency leave donors to approved emergency leave recipients within the agency; and
- (4) Determine the period of time for which donated annual leave may be accepted for distribution to approved emergency leave recipients.

## § 630.1104 Donations from a leave bank to an emergency leave transfer program.

A leave bank established under subchapter IV of chapter 63 of title 5. United States Code, and subpart J of part 630 may, with the concurrence of the leave bank board established under §630.1003, donate annual leave to an emergency leave transfer program administered by its own agency, or, during a Governmentwide transfer of emergency leave coordinated by OPM, to an emergency leave transfer program administered by another agency. Donated annual leave not used by an emergency leave recipient must be returned to the leave bank as provided in § 630.1117.

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## § 630.1105 Application to become an emergency leave recipient.

- (a) An employee who has been adversely affected by a disaster or emergency may make written application to his or her employing agency to become an emergency leave recipient. If an employee is not capable of making written application, a personal representative may make written application on behalf of the employee.
- (b) An employee who has a family member who has been adversely affected by a disaster or emergency also may make written application to his or her employing agency to become an emergency leave recipient. An emergency leave recipient may use donated

annual leave to assist an affected family member, provided such family member has no reasonable access to other forms of assistance.

- (c) For the purpose of this subpart, an employee is considered to be adversely affected by a major disaster or emergency if the disaster or emergency has caused the employee, or a family member of the employee, severe hardship to such a degree that his or her absence from work is required.
- (d) The employee's application must be accompanied by the following information:
- (1) The name, position title, and grade or pay level of the potential emergency leave recipient:
- (2) A statement describing his or her need for leave from the emergency leave transfer program; and
- (3) Any additional information that may be required by the potential leave recipient's employing agency.
- (e) An agency may determine a time period by which an employee must apply to become an emergency leave recipient after the occurrence of a disaster or emergency, as defined in §630.1102.

## § 630.1106 Agency review of an application to become an emergency leave recipient.

An agency must review an application to become an emergency leave recipient under procedures the agency has established for the purpose of determining that a potential leave recipient is or has been affected by a disaster or emergency, as defined in §630.1102.

## § 630.1107 Notification of approval or disapproval of an application to become an emergency leave recipient.

Once the employee's application to become an emergency leave recipient is either approved or disapproved, the agency must notify the employee (or his or her personal representative who made application on the employee's behalf) within 10 calendar days (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and legal public holidays) after the date the application was received (or the date established by the agency, if that date is later). If disapproved, the agency must give the reason for its disapproval.